

CHAPTER 3.1.5.

PERKINSOSIS

(*Perkinsus marinus*, *P.*
olseni/atlanticus)

Article 3.1.5.1.

The present chapter relates only to perkinsosis when caused by the *disease agents* listed below in the susceptible host species indicated for each pathogen.

For the purposes of this *Code*, susceptible host species for *Perkinsus marinus* are: *Crassostrea virginica* and *C. gigas*, and susceptible host species for *P. olseni/atlanticus* are: *Haliotis ruber*, *H. cyclobates*, *H. scalaris*, [and] *H. laevigata*, *Ruditapes philippinarum* and *R. decussates*.

Some 50 other species of [bivalve] *molluscs* may harbour *Perkinsus* species that are apparently non-pathogenic.

Standards for diagnostic tests are described in the *Manual*.